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STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2020-

**ADOPTING THE 2021 NONPOINT SOURCE GRANT PROGRAM GUIDELINES,
AUTHORIZING STAFF TO SOLICIT AND RECOMMEND PROJECTS,
AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR DESIGNEE TO AWARD
AND EXECUTE FINANCE AGREEMENTS FOR THE 2021 NONPOINT SOURCE
GRANT PROGRAM**

WHEREAS:

1. The 2021 Nonpoint Source Grant Program may consist of funds from the Clean Water Act section 319 (Clean Water Act 319) grant awarded by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.
2. The 2021 Clean Water Act 319 grant provides funding to states to implement their nonpoint source (NPS) programs. A portion of these funds may be used for grants to implement total maximum daily loads (TMDLs) and watershed-based plans to restore water bodies impaired by NPS pollution.
3. The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is authorized to administer federal funds pursuant to Clean Water Act 319 for local NPS pollution control implementation activities. In recent years this has been approximately \$4,500,000.
4. The State Water Board, Regional Water Quality Control Boards, and U. S. Environmental Protection Agency staff have developed guidelines for the 2021 Nonpoint Source Grant Program to prioritize funds on nonpoint source targeted pollutants and water bodies as identified in the 2020-2025 Nonpoint Source Program Implementation Plan.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board:

1. Adopts the proposed 2021 Nonpoint Source Grant Program Guidelines (Guidelines) attached hereto and deems projects that comply with the Guidelines eligible to compete for funding from the 2021 Nonpoint Source Grant Program.
2. Authorizes staff to solicit and recommend projects to be funded by the 2021 Nonpoint Source Grant Program.

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3. Authorizes the Executive Director, or designee, to award and execute financial assistance agreements and amendments to fund projects consistent with the guidelines and to perform all acts and to do all things necessary and convenient to implement such agreements.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned Clerk to the Board does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on September 15, 2020.

Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board